

TO: The Honorable Shan Tsutsui
Senator, Hawaii State Legislature

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RE: Legislative Mandate SCR 57
Working Group Findings and Recommendations

DATE: December 18, 2012

This report is respectfully submitted to your office, and constitutes the Working Group's findings and recommendations prior to the 2013 Regular Session of the Hawaii State Legislature.

During its 2012 Regular Session, Twenty-Sixth Legislature, the State Legislature adopted SCR 57 requesting the Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts to convene a Working Group composed of:

Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA)
Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA)
Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT)
Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR)
Bishop Museum
The Hawaii State Foundation on Culture and the Arts

to develop, assess, and recommend the administrative placement of the state art agency, and incorporate the following objectives:

- 1.) Leveraging public-private financing in support of a comprehensive range of culture and the arts of the people of Hawaii;
- 2.) Developing a strategic plan to expand the capacity of Hawaii's heritage and its arts organizations to provide quality experiences to Hawaii residents and visitors;
- 3.) Developing a sustainable funding model to support increased investment in state-wide cultural heritage and programs;
- 4.) Recommending changes to the HSFCA and infrastructure, including broadening the scope of the agency, renaming it, to further implement specific objectives.
- 5.) Collaborating with interested stakeholders from a spectrum of cultural, heritage, arts agencies and Working Groups to further these above-stated objectives.

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